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The Honorable Nancy Gertner
United States District Court for the
District of Massachusetts
1 Courthouse Way
Boston, Massachusetts 02210

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DISTRICT OF MASS

Re: Department of Labor v. Elliot, et al., 06-CV-10812
Desmond, et al. v. Batt, et al., 05-CV-10355

Dear Judge Gertner:

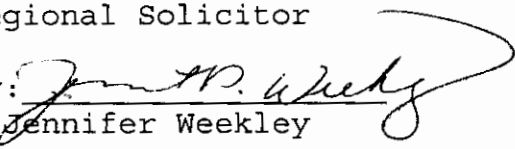
We are writing to respectfully request that the Court convene a settlement mediation in the referenced matter. Marked progress toward resolution of the case has been made by certain parties, but a full resolution of the case has not been achieved. We believe the Court may be able to assist in bringing the parties toward a full resolution. Even if a full resolution cannot be achieved, we believe that efficiency favors a Court assisted attempt before full litigation is undertaken. We request that Your Honor conduct the mediation, or refer the case to a Magistrate Judge if Court procedure so requires.

All parties consent to this request for a settlement mediation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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